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For: NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES, THEIR
NUCLEIC ACIDS, AND METHODS
FOR THEIR USE IN
ANGIOGENESIS AND
VASCULARIZATION

Examiner Gary B. Nickol

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of December 18, 2001, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group 2, PRO-C MCG.2 (SEQ ID NO:2), claims 24-35, 60-63, and 66-67. As species elections, Applicants elect epitope tag for Claims 33-35, and angiogenic agent for Claim 66 for search purposes only.

REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Nickol for his helpful discussion on March 5, 2002. From that discussion, Applicants understand that the application has been restricted into 340 groups (the described 64 groups contain 5 groups within each).

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